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Introductory Comments:

Applicant submits this amendment in response to the Final Office Action mailed on July 28, 2005. A response is due October 28, 2005. Accordingly, no extension of time is required to consider Applicant's response. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper. Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.

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